



February is Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

Young adult dating violence is a big problem, affecting youth in every community across the nation. One in three adolescents in the U.S. is a victim of physical, sexual, emotional or verbal abuse from a dating partner.

Did you know?

- Young people age 12 to 19 experience the highest rate of rape and sexual assault?
- Teenagers age 18 and 19 experience the highest rates of stalking?
- 1 in 3 adolescent girls in the US are a victim of physical, emotional or verbal abuse from a dating partner?

Help spread awareness by participating in the nationwide orange-out this February. Wear orange on **February 9th** and get as many people as you can to wear something orange in honor of **Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month** and promote respect and healthy relationships! Tell people why you are wearing it and post pictures and updates on social media using hashtags #Orange4Love and #RespectWeek 2016.



For more information and links to helpful organizations on Domestic Violence, visit County Executive Steve Bellone's website:
<http://scafvsuffolkcountyny.gov> .